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Overview of CCC and FSA Payment Options

Introduction

As a recipient of a Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) or Farm Service Agency (FSA) payment, there are 3 options available to you on how that payment can be made. These payment options are as follows:

- Option 1: **Producer Payment.** The payment is made directly to you as the payee.
- Option 2: **Joint Payment.** The payment is made to you and a joint payee as authorized by you.
- Option 3: **Assigned Payment.** The payment is made to an assignee as authorized by you.

Option 1: Producer Payment

What is a producer payment? A **producer payment** is a payment made payable to the producer earning the payment.

How do I request a producer payment? No special request is required to receive a payment in this manner. The producer payment option will always be used unless the producer requests another payment option in writing.

How will I receive my payment? If a SF-1199A is on file, an EFT is credited to the producer's bank account as indicated on the form. Otherwise, a CCC check is mailed to the producer at the address on file in the issuing local FSA Office. With either payment method, the Disbursement Statement is mailed to the producer's address on file.

Option 2: Joint Payment

What is a joint payment? A **joint payment** is made when the CCC check is made payable to joint payees at the request of the producer. The joint payee option is available for the convenience of the producer or an interested third party. A joint payment will be made only after all claims, debts, and assignments on file in the local FSA Office at the time a payment is made have been liquidated.

How do I request a joint payment? If the producer wishes to have payments made to joint payees, form CCC-37, Joint Payment Authorization, must be completed, signed by the producer and the joint payee, and submitted to the local FSA Office making the payment. Only program benefits applicable to FSA and CCC programs publicly announced before the date CCC-37 is executed are eligible for joint payment. This action instructs the local FSA Office receiving the CCC-37 to make selected payments payable to the joint payees requested. Form CCC-37 is available from your local FSA Office.

What are the endorsement requirements of the CCC check when it is a joint payment? If a joint payment is requested by the producer, the CCC check is made payable to both the producer and the joint payee. It must be endorsed by **both** parties.

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Option 2: Joint Payment, Continued

Where is the CCC check mailed? If a joint payment is requested, the CCC check and the Disbursement Statement are mailed to the producer's address on file in the local FSA Office.

How do I terminate or withdraw a joint payment option? The producer can withdraw the joint payment request in writing at any time, with the concurrence of the joint payee. The written request must be signed by both the producer and the joint payee and submitted to the local FSA Office making the payment.

Option 3: Assigned Payment

What is an assigned payment? An assigned payment is the transfer of the right to receive the payment from a producer who is eligible to receive FSA or CCC farm program payment to an assignee. FSA and CCC will allow a producer to assign the right to receive a selected payment to another party, normally a financial institution. This third party is called an assignee. Payments to an assignee will be made only after liquidation of the following, regardless of date CCC-36 is submitted:

- all claims and receivables due FSA and CCC
- all IRS notices of levy
- all claims due other Government Agencies.

How do I request an assigned payment? If the producer wishes to have payments made to an assignee, form CCC-36, Assignment of Payment, must be complete, signed by the producer and the assignee, and submitted to the local FSA Office making the payment. Only program benefits applicable to FSA or CCC programs publicly announced before the date CCC-36 is executed are eligible for assignment. This action instructs the local FSA Office receiving the CCC-36 to make payments up to a specified amount payable to the assignee. Form CCC-36 is available from your local FSA Office.

How can assigned payments be made? An assigned payment can be issued either by electronic funds transfer (EFT) or by CCC check. The assignee must complete the Direct Deposit Sign-up Form (SF-1199A) to be eligible for EFT.

What are the endorsement requirements of the CCC check when it is an assigned payment? If payments are assigned, the CCC Check is made payable to the assignee. It only needs to be endorsed by the assignee. If payment is issued by EFT then no endorsement is required.

How is the assigned payment delivered? If an assigned payment is issued by CCC check it is mailed to the assignee's address on file. If an assigned payment is issued by EFT, it will be deposited directly to the assignees' bank account on file. The Disbursement Statement is mailed to the producer's address on file for both cases.

How is an assigned payment option terminated or withdrawn? An assignment can be terminated or withdrawn by the assignee. A signed written request by the assignee must be submitted to the local FSA Office where the CCC-36 is submitted.

Contact for Questions

Contact your local FSA Office if you have questions or if additional information is required.
